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FLOODLIGHT

CAROLYN MILLER

Dear Carolyn,
During all the
years that we have been
together, I have enjoyed it
very much. I guess this will
be the last year I see you
for I'm going to A. G. next year.
I wish I had more to say, but I
don't. So Lot's of luck + love,
Lois Conner

I will certainly remember
you, when I am over at
A. G.

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THE
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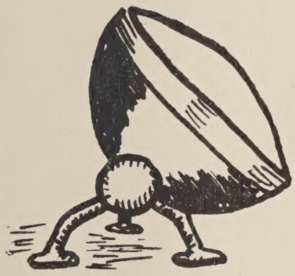
1949



SHARON HIGH SCHOOL

MARILYN MEACHAM
Editor

JOHN BOECKMANN
Business Manager

FOREWORD

As Time's immortal vanguard dims memories of our student days, may this, the Seventh Volume of FLOODLIGHT, evoke some response from the heart, recall some recollection, and give us pause that we may live again the "days at Dear Old Sharon"—happy days of youth.

DEDICATION

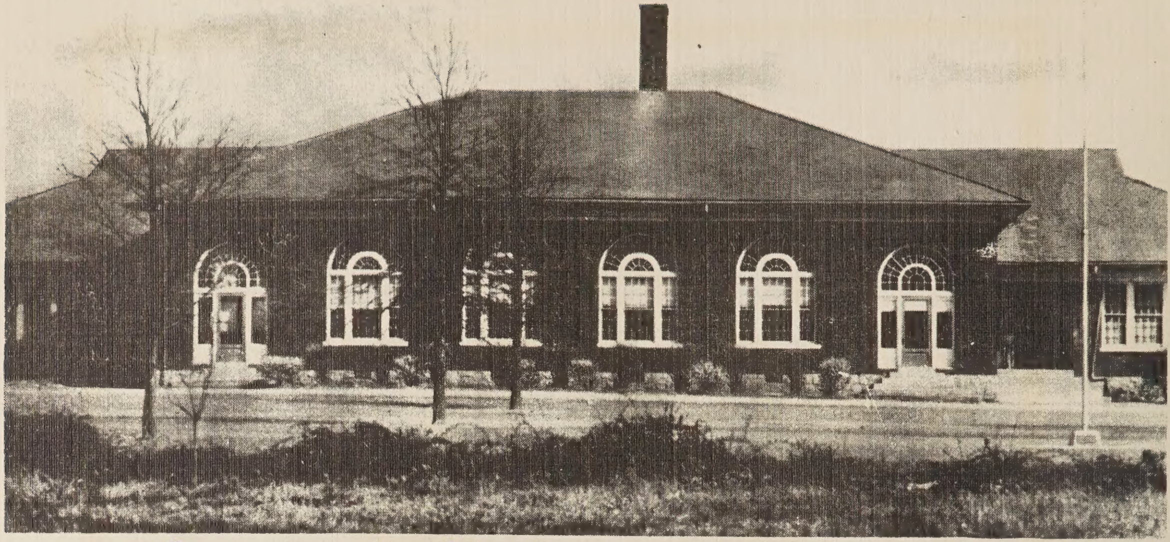
To

MISS MARZELLE BRISSON

Senior Class Sponsor

whose faithful, wholehearted, and efficient work in devoted services to FLOODLIGHT for the past two years has played an important part in its success, and whose sincere interest in the students has helped promote better citizenship in our school, we, the staff, with deepest appreciation and gratitude dedicate this,

THE 1949 FLOODLIGHT



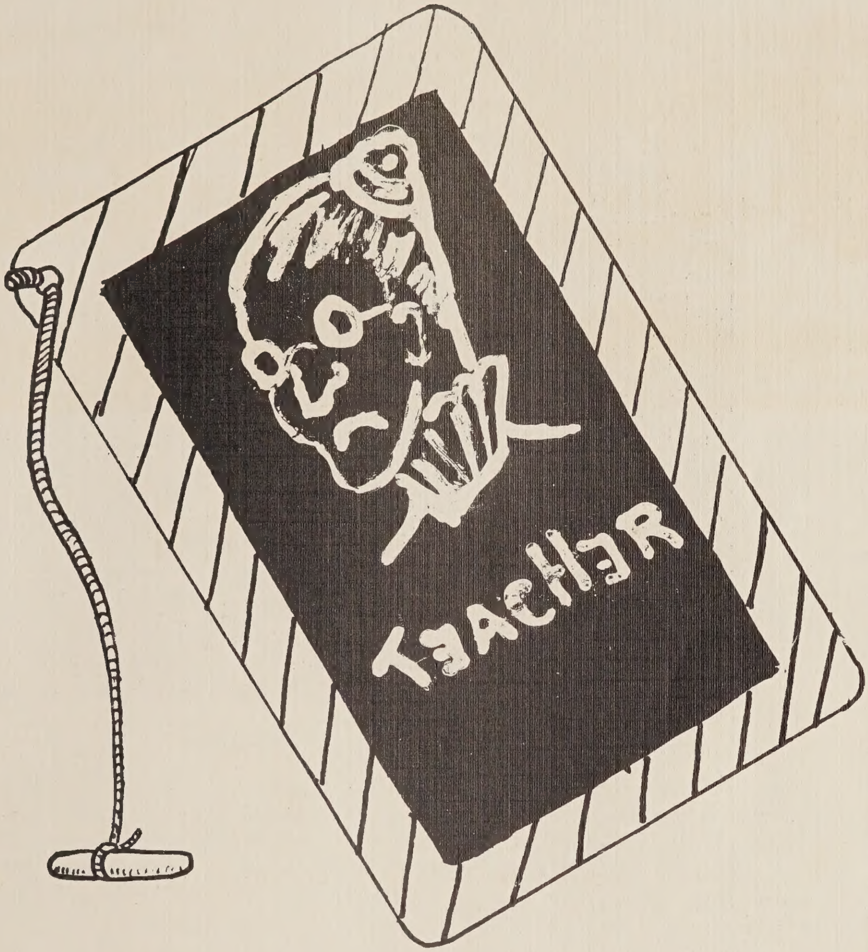
Dear Old Sharon

ALMA MATER

Out along a country highway,
Far from bustling town,
Stands our noble Alma Mater
Proudly looks she down.
Sing her praises, lift her chorus,
Over hill and dale.
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Sharon High School, Hail!

SCHOOL SONG

When Sharon High comes marching down the line,
We're gonna' fight, fight, fight and that's a sign,
We're gonna' win, win, win, the victory,
And make our names go down in school history,
We're gonna' fight, fight, fight, for Sharon High,
And show them that we're just the kind of crowd,
That will make our school be very proud,
Very proud, of Sharon High.



ADMINISTRATION

THE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

To have a rich and full life in which all are to share and play a part is the ideal American dream. Whether that dream comes true depends on us—teachers and students.

Lincoln was not great because he was born in a log cabin. He was great because he got out of it—because he rose from poverty, ignorance and lack of ambition. We as teachers and students would do well to examine our finished job. The American dream is being fulfilled if we can truthfully say "THIS IS MY BEST".

I consider this priceless poem, written by the late Douglas Malloch, the best single bit of advice that I have ever discovered in all my reading.

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
   Be a scrub in the valley—but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;
   Be a bush, if you can't be a tree.

If you can't be a bush be a bit of the grass,
   And some highway happier make;
If you can't be a muskie, then just be a bass—
   But the liveliest bass in the lake!

We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew,
   There's something for all of us here.
There's big work to do and there's lesser to do
   And the task we must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway, then just be a trail,
   If you can't be the sun, be a star;
It isn't by size that you win or you fail—
   Be the best of whatever you are!

HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

Miss Marzelle Brisson
12th Grade Home Room
Math, Physical Ed.

Mrs. M. O. Smith
11th Grade Home Room
English, French

Mrs. B. C. Flynt
10th Grade Home Room
History, Typing

Mrs. Carl Bookout
9th Grade Home Room
Home Economics

Mrs. Alexander
Piano, Voice, Glee Club

SENIOR SNAPSHOTS

SENIORS

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

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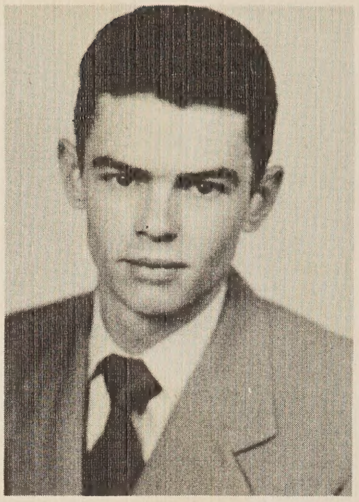
President


Tommy P. Phillips
Vice President

Anne Samonds
Secretary

Marilyn Meacham
Treasurer

MOTTO
"Knowledge is Power"

FLOWER
American Beauty Rose

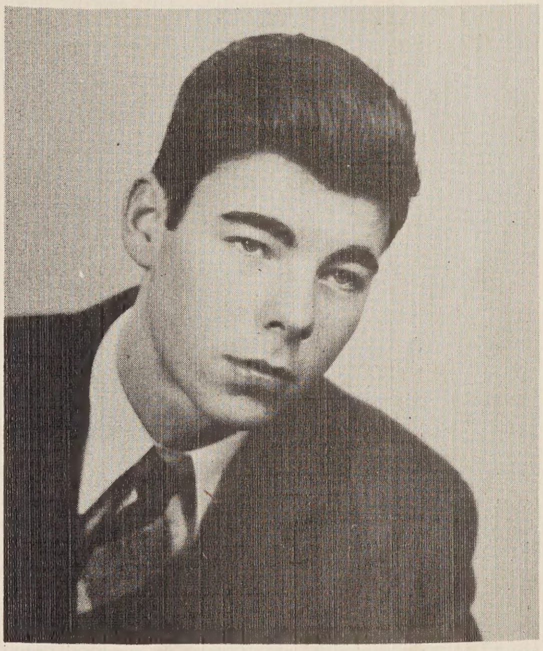
COLORS
Royal Blue and Silver

Works at Mellon's

JEAN ELIZABETH BIGHAM
"Bigham"

"A sweet girl, with trim ways,
We'll remember her all of our days."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Home Ec. Club 2, 3; Journalism Club 4, Staff 4; Minstrel 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Typing Award 3.

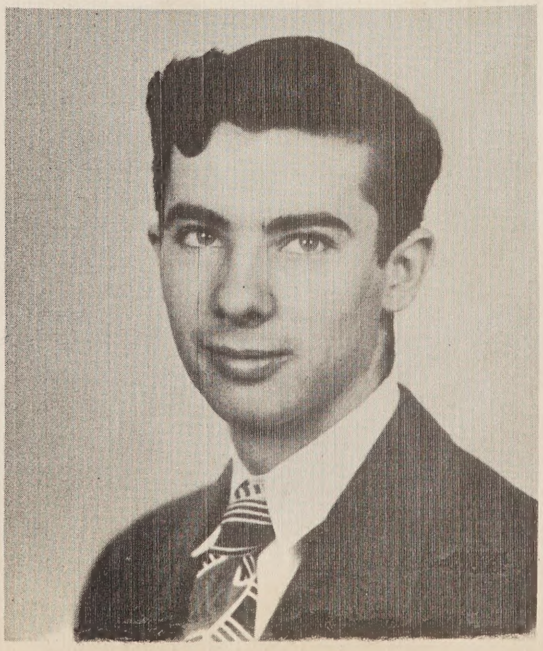


Radio Broadcaster

JOHN FARLOW BOECKMANN
"Johnny"

"Who mixes reason with pleasure, and wisdom with mirth."

Basketbal 3, 4; Dramatics 1, 4; Bus Driver 3, 4; FLOODLIGHT Staff 4; Class Vice President 3; 4-H Club 2; Student Conference 3; Audubon Club 1; Superlative 4; Class Prophet 4; Handicraft Club 1; Minstrel 3, 4.

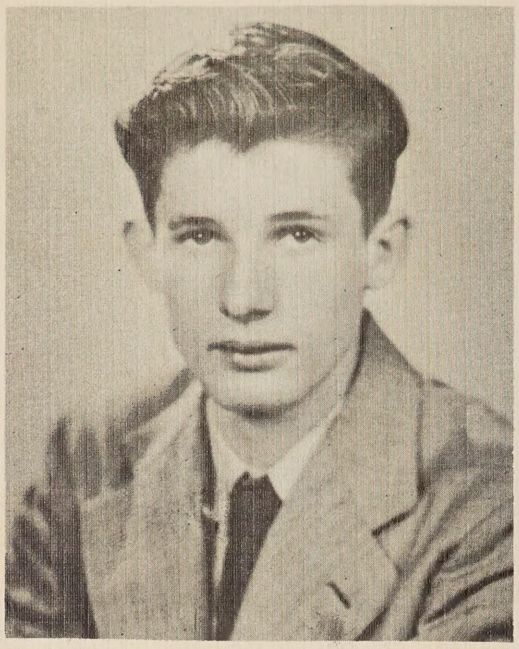


THOMAS BENJAMIN DOUGLAS, JR.
"Benny"

"He's good in his sports
And he's good in his books,
And plenty of girls say
He's good in his looks."

Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Bus Driver 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Handicraft Club 1; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4, Manager 2; Dramatics Club 1, 2; Student Conference 2, 3; Minstrel 3, 4; Class Officer: Secretary 2, President 4, Office Staff 4.

SENIORS



In the army

THOMAS CROWELL KISER

"Tommy"

"My only books were women's looks,
And folly is all they brought me."

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Journalism Staff 1, 2; Annual 4; Prince of Sharon 1; Superlative 4; Class Treasurer 3; 4-H Club 1; Student Conference 3; Audubon Club 1; Co-Captain Baseball 3.

DORIS ANN McCALL

"Bubbling over with originality."

Glee Club 2, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Marshal 3; Minstrel 3; Journalism Club Staff 2, 3, 4; Handicraft Club 2; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Art 3; Student Conference 2, 3.

MARILYN PATRICIA MEACHAM

"A perfect woman, nobly planned,
To love, to comfort and command."

Journalism Club Staff 1, 2, 3, *Eavesdropper* Editor 4; Home Ec. Club 1, Vice President 1; Basketball 2, Assistant Manager 3; Student Conference Committee 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pianist 3, 4; Field Day Award 2; Beta Club 3, 4; President 4; Beauty Contest 3; Minstrel 2, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 4; Superlative 4; Class Beauty 2, 3, 4, Editor FLOODLIGHT 4.

SENIORS

CAROLYN JEAN MEEK

"Meek"

"The most precious goods often come wrapped in smallest packages."

Basketball 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 1, 2, 4; Piano 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 4; *Eavesdropper* Staff 4; Minstrel 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Typing Award 2; Office Staff 1, 2; Home Ec. Club 1; Student Conference 1, 2, 3; Senior Play 3; Class Lawyer 4.

works at Charlotte News

BETTY SUE MILLER

"Betty"

"Gentle, courteous, and friendly toward all."

Student Conference 3; Glee Club 1; Home Economics Club 1, 2, 3; Beta Club 2, 3, Officer 4; Minstrel 3; Journalism Staff 4; Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Junior Marshal 3; Citizenship Award 3.

THOMAS LEE PHILLIPS

"Pete"

"Men of few words are the best men."

Superlative 4; Baseball 3; Assistant Manager Basketball 3; Handicraft Club 2; Audubon Club 1; Dramatics Club 2; Student Patrol 1; Class Poet 4; King of Sharon 4; 4-H Club 1.

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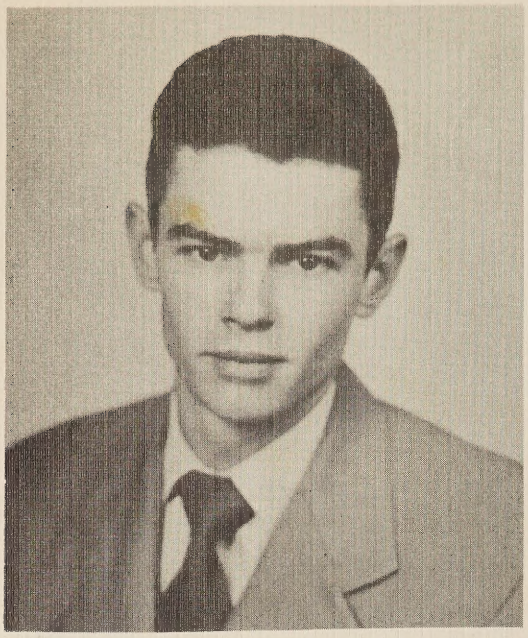
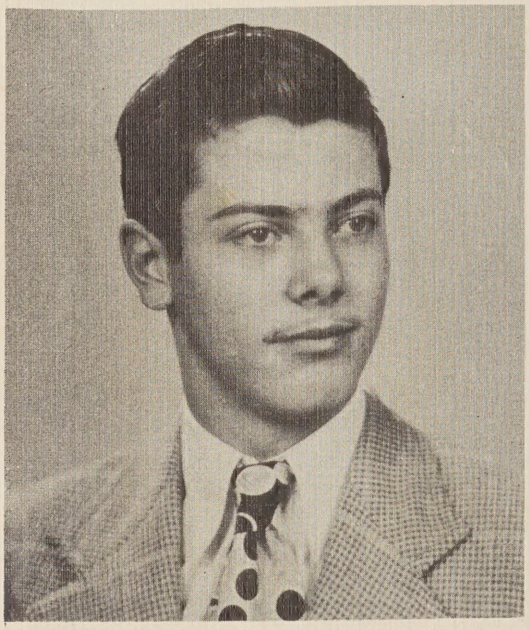


THOMAS PAXTON PHILLIPS

"Phillips"

"What I could be but what I am."

Audubon Club 1; Dramatics Club 2; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Minstrel 2, 3, 4; Class President 1, 2, 4, Vice President 4; Athletic Award 3; King of Sharon 3; 4-H Club 1; Handicraft Club 1; Student Conference 3; Annual Staff 4.



JAMES KENNETH RICHARDSON

"Kenny"

"I'll be merry, I'll be free,
I'll be sad for nobody."

Basketball 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Audubon Club 1; Dramatics Club 1, 2; Handicraft Club 1; Minstrel 3.

NORA ANNE SAMONDS

"Anne"

"In her dark eyes a thought grew sweeter
And sweeter, deepening like the dawn."

Class Officer 4; Office Staff 1, 3, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Dramatics Club 2, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, President 4; Annual Staff 4; Music 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 3; Superlative 4; Class Beauty 4; Minstrel 3, 4; Typing Award 2; Student Conference 1, 2, 3; Chief Marshal 3.

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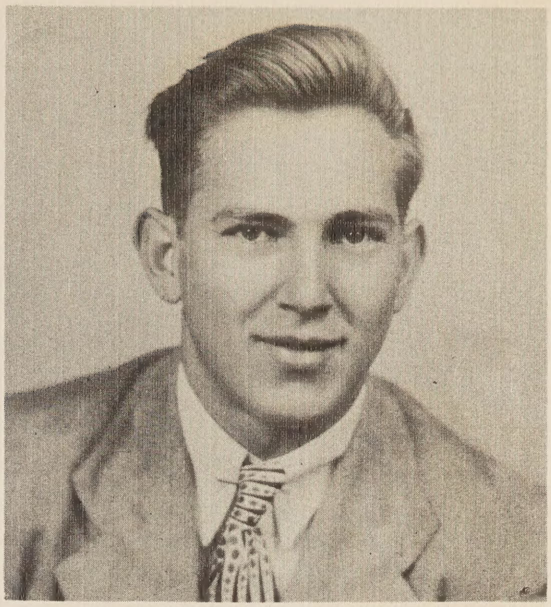
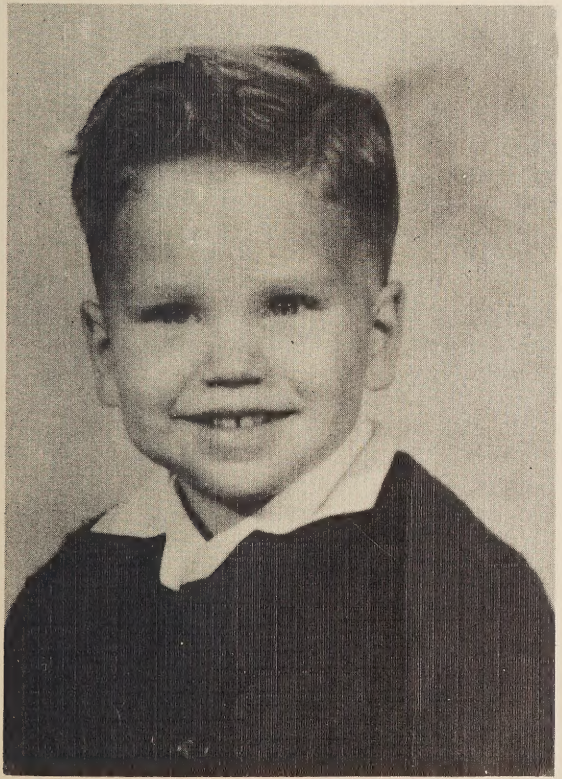


RUSSELL NIMS SHRUM
"Rut"

"He's fair and square in every game,
His winning smile will win him fame."

Monogram 2, 3, President 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, Co-Captain 3, Captain 4; Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Journalism Club 1, 2; Student Conference 3, 4; Dramatics Club 3; Minstrel 3, 4.

MASCOTS



Frankie Washam

Trudy Boyce

CLASS HISTORY

What a class it was when we entered the eighth grade! Some of us came from Sharon Grammar School, some from Woodlawn and a few from other schools. Since there were so many of us we were divided into two classes with Mrs. M. O. Smith and Miss Knowles as our teachers.

The following year we entered High School. We heard so many tales of how hard High School was that we were petrified the first day. We very soon got used to the routine and felt that we were a great part of the High School. Of course we had a hard time keeping ourselves out of "hot water", but by the end of the year we were looking forward to being Sophomores.

With the beginning of our Sophomore year we found some changes made. The boys and girls were together again after being separated the past year. We had some very exciting experiencs in Mrs. Bass's room that year. We poor innocents didn't know how to get out of work quite so well then as we do now. Mrs. Bass was directing the Senior Play and when we were seen idling around, Mrs. Bass [illegible] us to work painting and building stage scenery. This wasn't so bad after a[illegible] we had fun doing it. We also had fun at our class party. We spent a wonderful evening dancing and eating at the Teen Age Club at the Armory. Suddenly our Sopnomore year ended and we were faced with the problems of the Junior year. We knew that we had to make money for the Junior-Senior Banquet.

Well at long last we were Juniors. We had looked forward to this for ten years. We were fortunate to have Mrs. Robert Smith as our sponsor. We knew that we had a lot to do this year so we began at once. We very soon had our minstrel under way. We picked skits, jokes, and songs from everywhere and combined them. We picked out some good talent from High School to help us. Nearly every Junior took part in it and we had loads of fun giving it even though we almost gave Mrs. Smith a nervous breakdown with it. Three of our girls got married during the year: Margaret Samonds, Patsy Smith, and Teressia Therrel. We were very sorry to lose them. We gave the Junior-Senior Banquet at the Sharon Hills Club in the spring.

At last our Senior year has rolled around. We have been looking forward to it for many years. We were glad to have as our sponsor, Miss Marzelle Brisson. We have always heard of the many wonderful things that Seniors get to do and now our time had come. We were very enthusiastic about putting out the 1949 issue of THE FLOODLIGHT. We had many obstacles to overcome before we got everything in line, but we finished it with the belief and hope that it is one of the best editions. We were also looking forward to our Senior Play, "For Pete's Sake", with Mrs. M. O. Smith as our director. We hoped to make a lot of money on it. We needed it to use for our Senior trip which we are to take after schol is out in the spring.

Our days at Sharon have been happy ones, and it is with a feeling of sadness and regret that we say goodbye. Although we shall never come to Sharon again as students, our thoughts and hopes will always be for her success. Our parting wish is that the Senior Class of '49 be remembered as a class "gone but not forgotten".

JEAN BIGHAM, *Historian.*

PROPHECY

DEAR KISER:

Things have certainly changed around here since you went to New York to establish the National Bottle Exchange of America.

I was walking down Tryon Street the other day when I ran into Benny Douglas. He is now the president of an inter-city bus line. He said he got so used to driving a school bus that he just couldn't quit.

While we were standing there a drop of green paint spattered on my shoulder. I looked up and saw Doris McCall painting a new Coca-Cola sign over the Square. I told you that girl had artistic ability! I asked Doris if she had heard from Jean Bigham. She said that Jean was modeling bathing suits for some concern in California.

I was in a hurry so I hailed a Yellow Cab. Guess who was driving? Kenneth Richardson! While we raced through three red lights, the wrong way, on a one-way street, Kenny told me that Ann Samonds had finally become an actress. She is starring in the "Phillips Follies". That, if you didn't know, is a Broadway show operated by Tommy Lee Phillips.

I received a letter from Russell Shrum the other day. He informed me that he and Tommy Paxton Phillips are playing professional baseball for some team called the South Pineville Scrubs.

I heard that Jean Meek and Betty Miller are secretaries for an annual printing concern. I guess they just couldn't get enough of that kind of business.

Oh yes! I ran into Marilyn Meacham in the A & P the other day. She had three of her children with her. She said she left most of them at home.

Well, "Junior" wants me to help him with his economics home work, so I guess I'll close. Come to see us on your next trip home.

Your pal,
JOHNNY.
JOHNNY BOECKMANN,
Class Prophet

CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of 1949, Sharon High School, being of sound mind and judgment do hereby declare and publish this to be our last will and testament.

ARTICLE I

To the faculty of Sharon we wish to express our appreciation for all you have done to prepare us for our future in the outside world. We wish success and happiness for each of you throughout the coming years. We leave our deepest gratitude for your help in making this our last year at dear ole Sharone one that will long be remembered.

ARTICLE II

To the Class of '50 that will "follow in our footsteps", namely the Juniors, we leave the same Senior room, the "honor" of being called "Dignified Seniors", and the privilege of publishing the FLOODLIGHT and presenting the Senior Play. May all the Senior privileges due the graduating class of a school be yours and may you lead the school through a year that will live long in your fondest memories.

ARTICLE III

(Personal Bequests)

I, Jean Bigham, do will and bequeath my sewing and cooking abilities to Dot Boyd in hopes that it will help both she and Mrs. Bookout in Home Economics.

I, Ben Douglas, do will and bequeath my ability to lose watches to any Junior who can pick locks on jewelry stores.

I, Jean Meek, do will and bequeath my ability to lose things to some Junior in hopes they may have better luck finding them.

I, Tommy Kiser, do will and bequeath my love for basketball to Bill Baker in hopes that he will enjoy every game as much as I have.

I, Johnny Boeckmann, do will and bequeath my blonde hair to anyone who can have better luck bleaching it than I did.

I, Marilyn Beacham, do will and bequeath my love for square dances to Sue Smith in hopes that she will have as much fun as I have.

I, Tommy Paxton Phillips, do will and bequeath five inches of my long frame to little Billie Davis so he won't get stepped on.

I, Betty Miller, do will and bequeath my manner of good naturedness and willingness to be helpful to Mary Ruth Caldwell.

I, Tommy Lee Phillips, do will and bequeath my good physique to Jimmy White who can surely use some of it.

I, Anne Samonds, do will and bequeath my good grades to Lloyd Wallace who undoubtedly can use them.

I, Kenneth Richardson, do will and bequeath my old tooth to Mrs. M. O. Smith in hopes she can use it.

I, Doris McCall, do will and bequeath my aged wad of chewing gum to Faye Samonds who I know will enjoy it.

I, Russell Shrum, do will and bequeath my arm support to anyone who happens to hurt his arm playing basketball, but in hopes that he will not be hurt as many times as I.

JEAN MEEK, *Class Lawyer.*

CLASS POEM

Four long years ago,
We Seniors of today,
Entered the halls of Sharon High,
And started on our way.

The years have not been easy,
As we soon found out!
There were both joys and sorrows,
All along our route.

With smiles upon our faces,
Resolution in our hearts—
We all worked together.
Each one played many parts.

Though we are few in number,
Our quality is high.
When irksome tasks confront us,
We work instead of sigh.

Now we go, and going we will sing
Not for gay or bitter days,
That the years will bring;
But to Sharon High School,
We leave our love and praise.

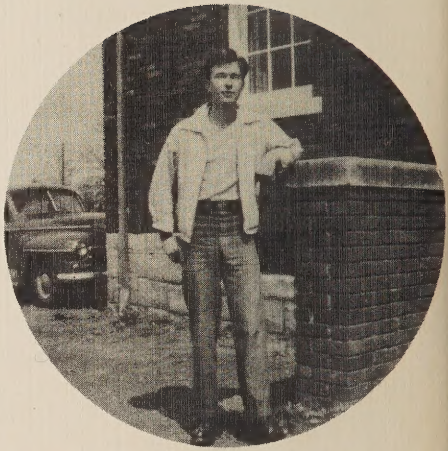
TOMMY LEE PHILLIPS,
Class Poet

SUPER

Cutest
Jean Meek, Tommy Kiser

Best Looking
Marilyn Meacham, Tommy P. Phillips

Best Dressed
Anne Samonds, Tommy L. Phillips


Most Bashful
Tommy L. Phillips

Most Original
Doris McCall, Kenneth Richardson

Most Likeable
Jean Bigham, Kenneth Richardson

Best All Round, Most Popular
Marilyn Meacham, Benny Douglas

LATIVES

Best Personality
Tommy Kiser

Most Talkative
John Boeckmann

Most Athletic
Jean Meek, Russell Shrum

Most Intellectual
Anne Samonds

Most Talented
Marilyn Meacham

Most Valuable
Betty Miller

Wittiest
Kenneth Richardson

SNAPSHOTS

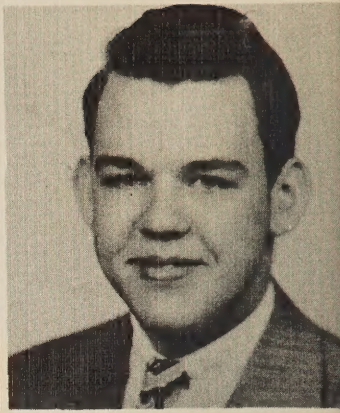
JUNIORS

JUNIOR OFFICERS

President
Bill Hartis

Vice President
Libby Phillips

Secretary
"Boots" Lowder



Treasurer
Bill Allmon

JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

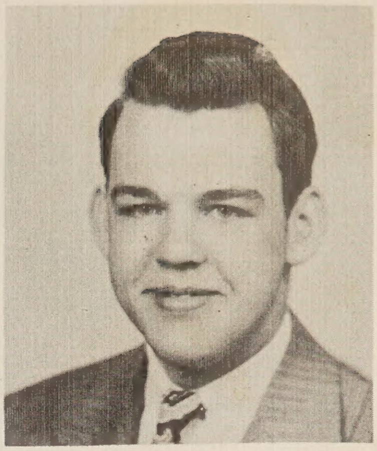
In September, 1945, when we entered Sharon School for our eighth year of education, we found that Mrs. M. O. Smith and Miss Sara Knowles were to be our teachers. Though we were divided into two classes, we had many parties and a lot of fun together. It was a tough year but we pulled through and entered High School. We were proud to be Freshmen with Mrs. Hager advising the boys and Miss Morgan, the girls. The school sponsored a paper drive and we went to work with all our might and edged out the sixth grade to win the first prize of fifteen dollars; with this money we enjoyed a skating party.

In September, 1947, we entered our Sophomore year with Mrs. Hager still with us. On returning for our tenth year, our class had decreased somewhat. Even though we had a small class, we gave a womanless wedding to make some money for our class treasury. Later in the year we gave a short play for the P.-T. A. We worked hard in our Sophomore year, and were glad to take an all day trip to Morrow Mountain. We ended the year with much gladness.

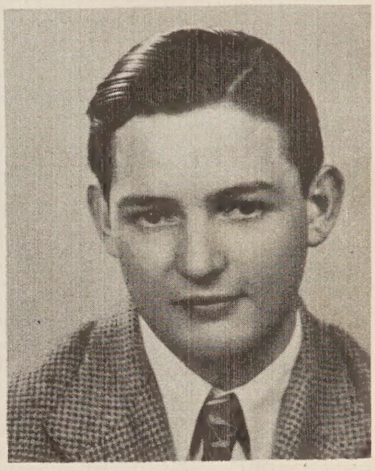
Everyone came back wanting to know who would be our new Principal. We entered our Junior year with ten dollars in our treasury. Knowing that we had to sponsor the Junior-Senior Banquet, we planend ways of making money besides the annual minstrel which goes to the Juniors. We are looking forward to our Senior year.

JUNIORS

Phillip Adams
Joel Alexander
Billy Allmon



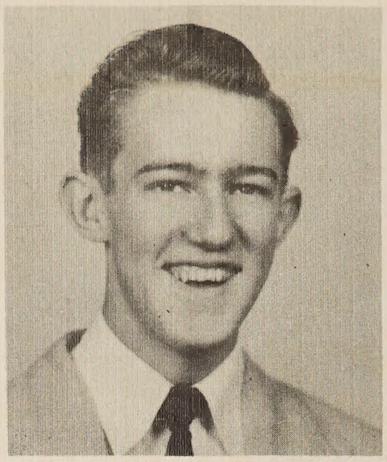
Bill Baker
Katherine Black
Joe Brookshire



Betty Ann Davis
Dewey Edwards
Sara Gray

Bill Hartis
Dorothy Hill
Jimmy Jackson

JUNIORS



Mary Jackson
Bob Jones
"Boots" Lowde

Libby Phillips
Mabel Rea
Faye Samonds

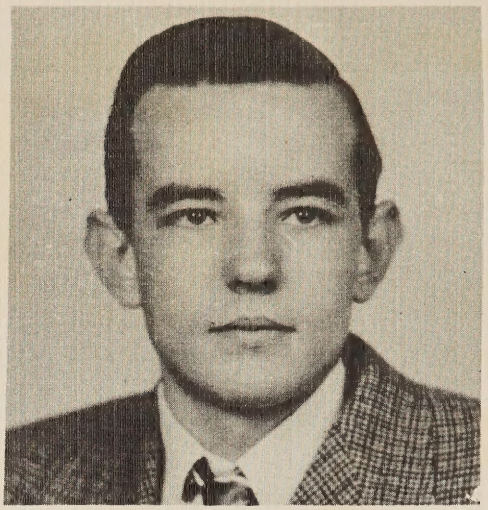
Evelyn Shepherd
Susie Smith
Lloyd Wallace

Not Photographed: Mitchell Brown, Mary Ruth Caldwell, Charles Kay

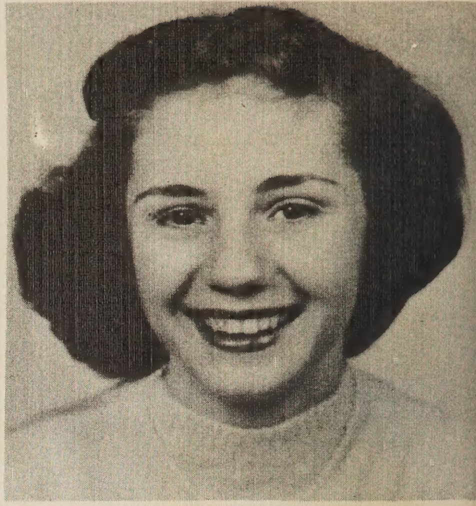
SOPHOMORES

SOPHOMORE OFFICERS

Anita Martin
President



Fred McCall
Vice President



Pat Tucker
Secretary and Treasurer

CLASS HISTORY

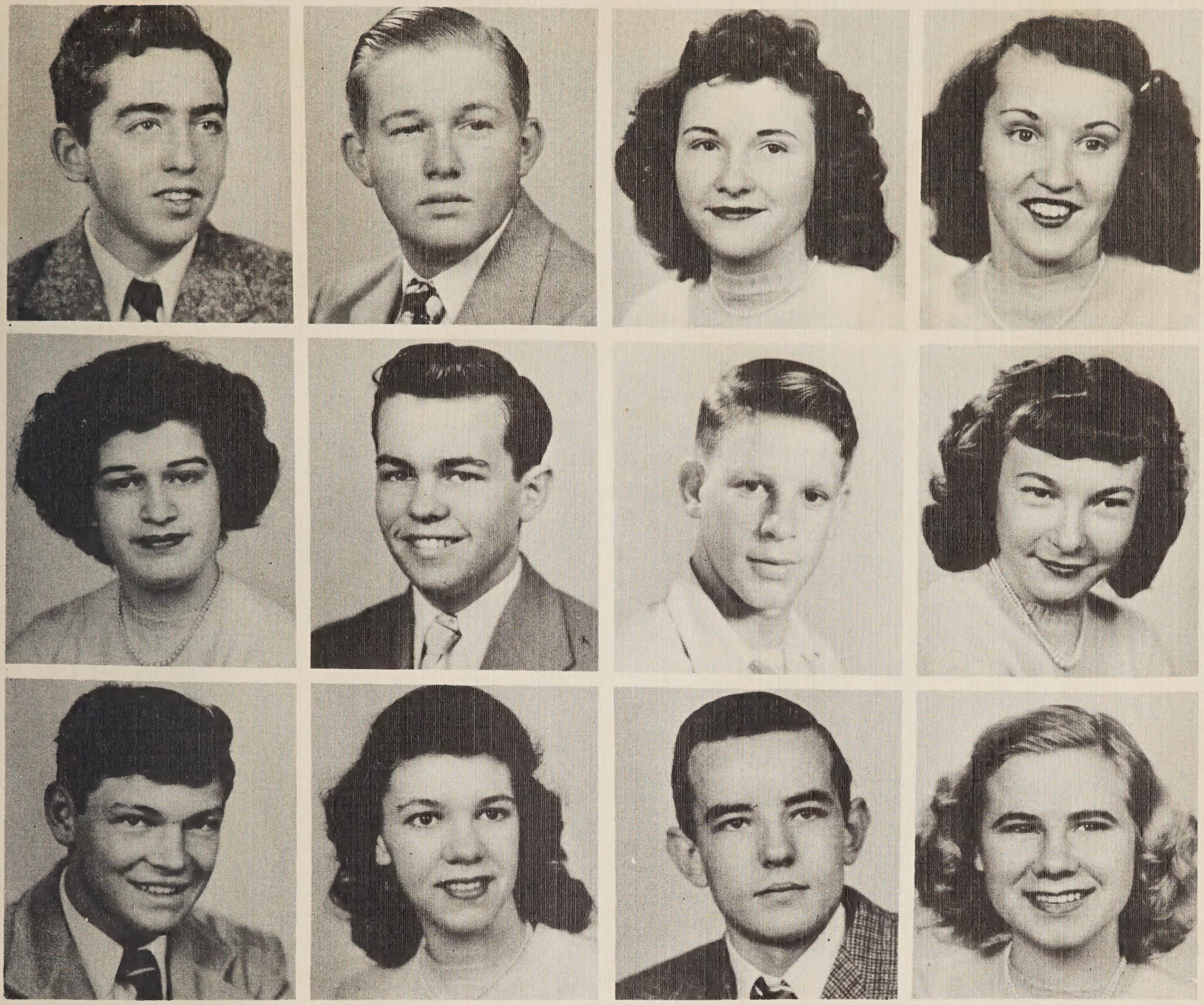
Well!! After waiting all these years we finally entered High School as Freshmen of '47-'48. We really thought we were big, but soon changed our minds when we found that there were others still bigger. We thought that High School meant only a lot of fun, but our minds were changed about this also, for there was a lot of hard work along with this fun.

During our Freshman year we selected our officers: Pat Tucker, President; Jean Shore, Vice President; Betty Lou Goble, Secretary; Carl Nance, Treasurer. Our home room advisor was Miss Morgan, now Mrs. Bookout.

Sophomores!!! During our second year in High School, we selected as officers Anita Martin, President; Fred McCall, Vice President; Pat Tucker, Secretary and Treasurer. Our home room advisor was Mrs. Flynt.

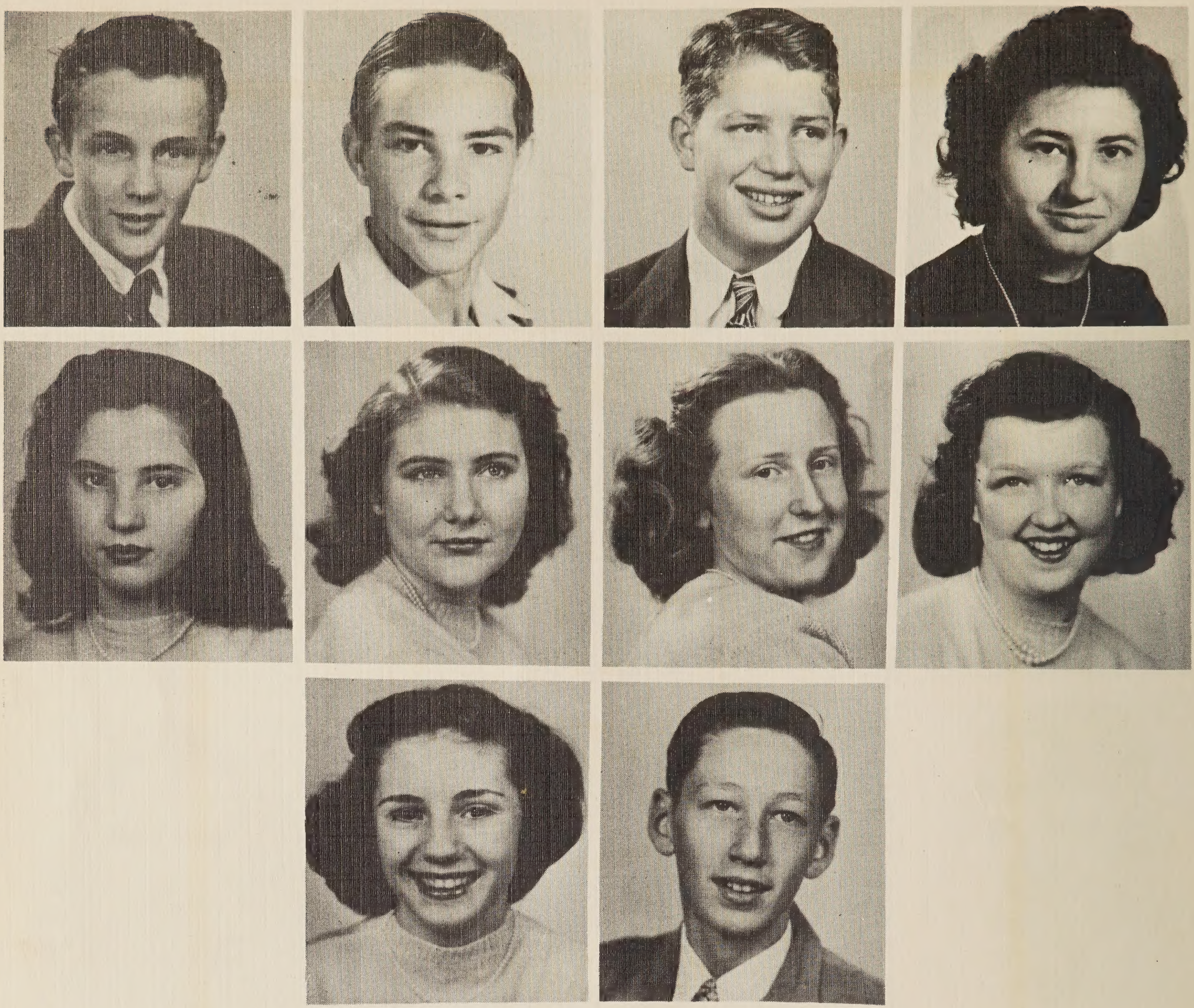
We have two years ahead of us in which we have much to look toward. We hope to enjoy the future as much, if not more so, than we have the past years.

SOPHOMORES



First Row: Dick Bigham, Bobby Black, Frankie Black, Frances Brown. *Second Row*: Helen Cook, Joe Elliott, Billy Faust, Emma Lee Kay. *Third Row*: Gilbert Godfrey, Anita Martin, Fred McCall, Anne McGarity.

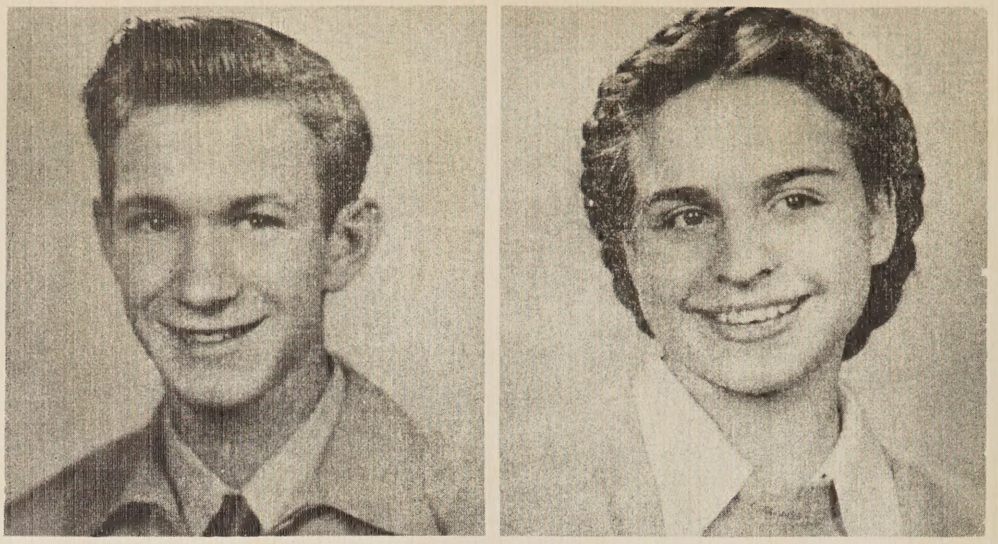
SOPHOMORES



First Row: Jessie McKenzie, Richard Parris, Sam Porter, Sara Porter. *Second Row*: Mickey Richardson, Martha Seabolt, Jean Shore, Patsy Smith. *Third Row*: Pat Tucker, Jimmy White.

Not Photographed: Dot Boyd, Betty Goble, Donald Gardner, David Mills, Howard Mills, James Knox.

FRESHMEN



FRESHMEN OFFICERS

President .... Aubrey Jamison
Vice President .... (Not photographed) Billie Smith
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CLASS HISTORY

Our eighth grade teachers were Miss Alexander and Mrs. Smith. We were disappointed because we weren't in High School, but that didn't hinder our having a good time and learning much.

In the fall we entered the ninth grade with Miss Morgan our home room teacher. But being in High School had its complications. The changing of classes from one to another. We learned the routine quickly, and now it offers no complication at all. Having only four subjects made the schedule quite easy for us, and we enjoyed our Freshman year very much. We hope some day to become Seniors.

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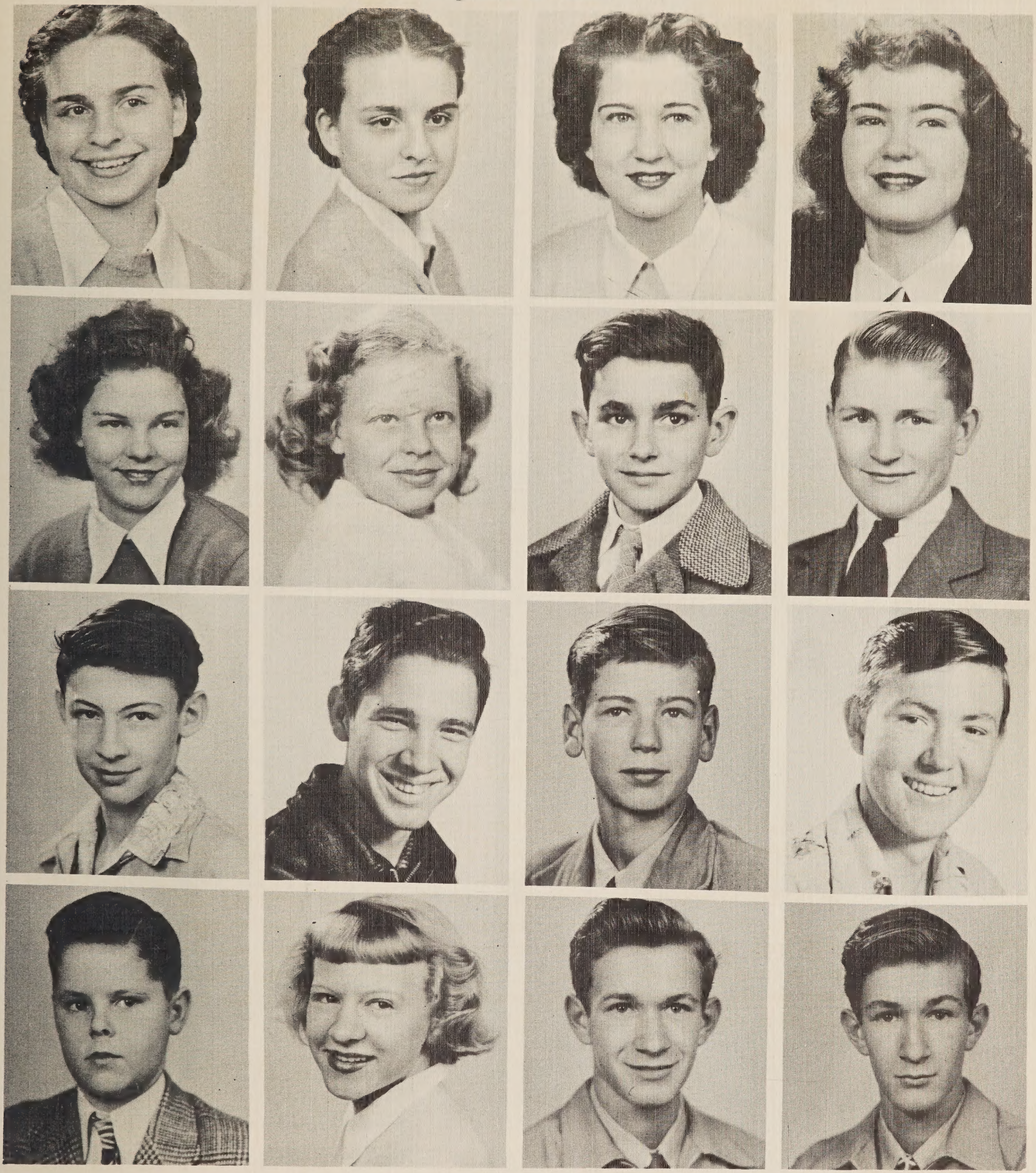

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Second Row: Joyce Blackwelder, Shirley Boyd, Billy Davis, Jack Ellington.

Third Row: Donald Forbis, Earl Freeman, Ed Hawkins, Gene Howell.

Fourth Row: Billie Howe, Delia Hucks, Aubrey Jamison, Audrey Jamison.

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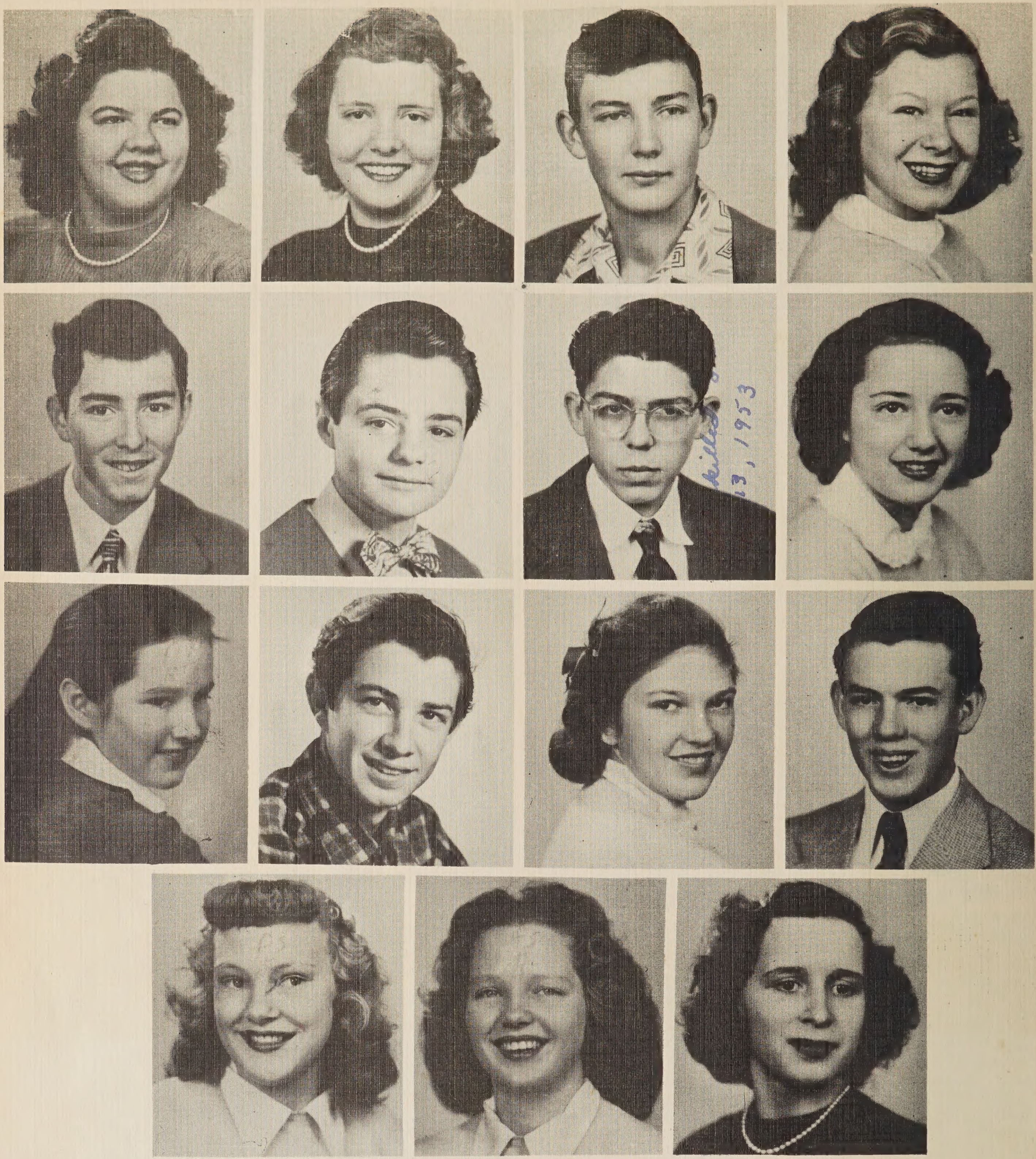

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Second Row: Charles Meacham, Jerry Melton, Walter Nance, Iris Phillips.

Third Row: Doris Portor, Francis Portor, Bonnie Price, Jack Rivenbark.

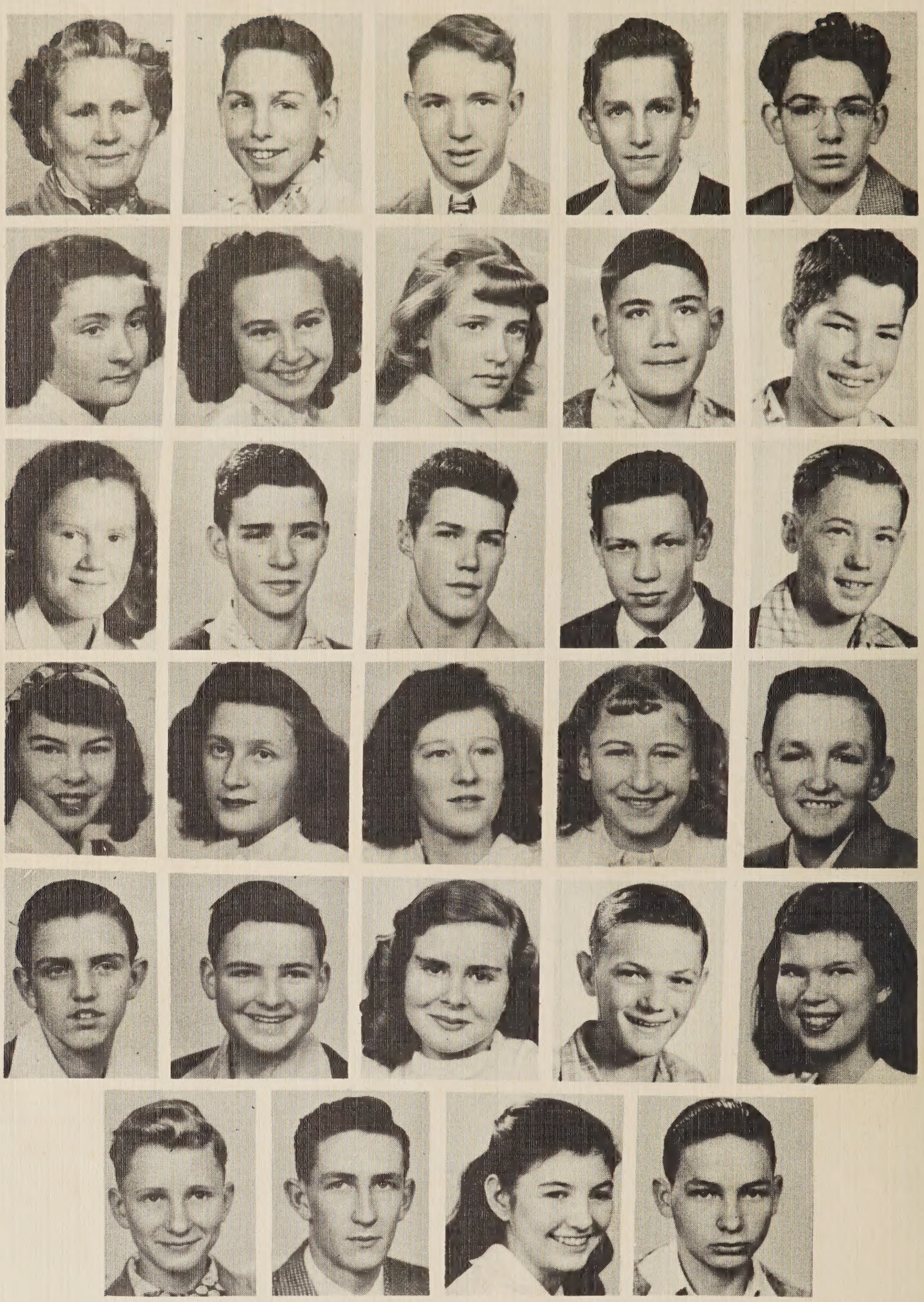
Fourth Row: Dot Shurm, Ann Smith, Jeanette Yount.

Not Photographed: Clyde Bryan, Jerry Christenbury, Ernest Jamison, Bobby Norman, Jimmy Potts, Carroll Short, Billy Smith, Bobby Welch.

ELEMENTARY FACULTY

Mrs. Durham, Mrs. Petty, Miss Baldwin, Miss Alexander,
Miss Williams (not photographed)

EIGHTH GRADE



First Row: Mrs. Hager, Teacher; Alexander, Black, Brickell, Burns. *Second Row*: Ellington, Green, Hartis, Helms, Hill. *Third Row*: Howell, D. Jackson, H. Jackson, M. Jackson, Johnson. *Fourth Row*: J. Johnson, Jones, Kenley, Korbler, Lowder. *Fifth Row*: Price, Sample, Satterfield, Shuman, Smith. *Sixth Row*: Stamp, Sullivan, Williams, Windham.

Not Photographed: Sara Caldwell, Ellen Mary Dobbs, Dibbie Kelly, Dorothy Privette, Jimmy Reitzel, William Eller, Clyde Graham, Franklin Gray, Louie Massey, Tommy McAllister, Johnny Phiffer, Charles Witherspoon, Shirley Alexander, Grace Caddell.

MISS ALEXANDER—SIXTH AND SEVENTH

Ted Bennick, Tommy Black, Donald Cook, Edwin Graham, Bobby Nance, Vin Cheney, Anne Privette, Betty Ann Alexander, Carolyn Black, June Brown, Rebecca Freeman, Jo Ann Nance, Catherine Privette, Dolly Vanderlip, Ann Howell, Frank Alexander, Ralph Allen, Dan Baker, Clarence Byrum, Jack Caldwell, Donald Kiser, Reid Matthews, Jimmy Rasor, Lewis Rea, Jimmy Templeton, Lawrence Yount, Edward Howell, Jimmy Preston, Anne Black, Elaine Blanchard, Sandra Carpenter, Peggy Godfrey, Carolyn Kiser, Barbara Parker, Peggy Porter, Barbara Singleton, Marion Sullivan, Blanche Wentz.

Best of Luck

Dumbell

Best wishes to Carolyn.

Ruth L.

Mary Johnston

MRS. PETTY—FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES

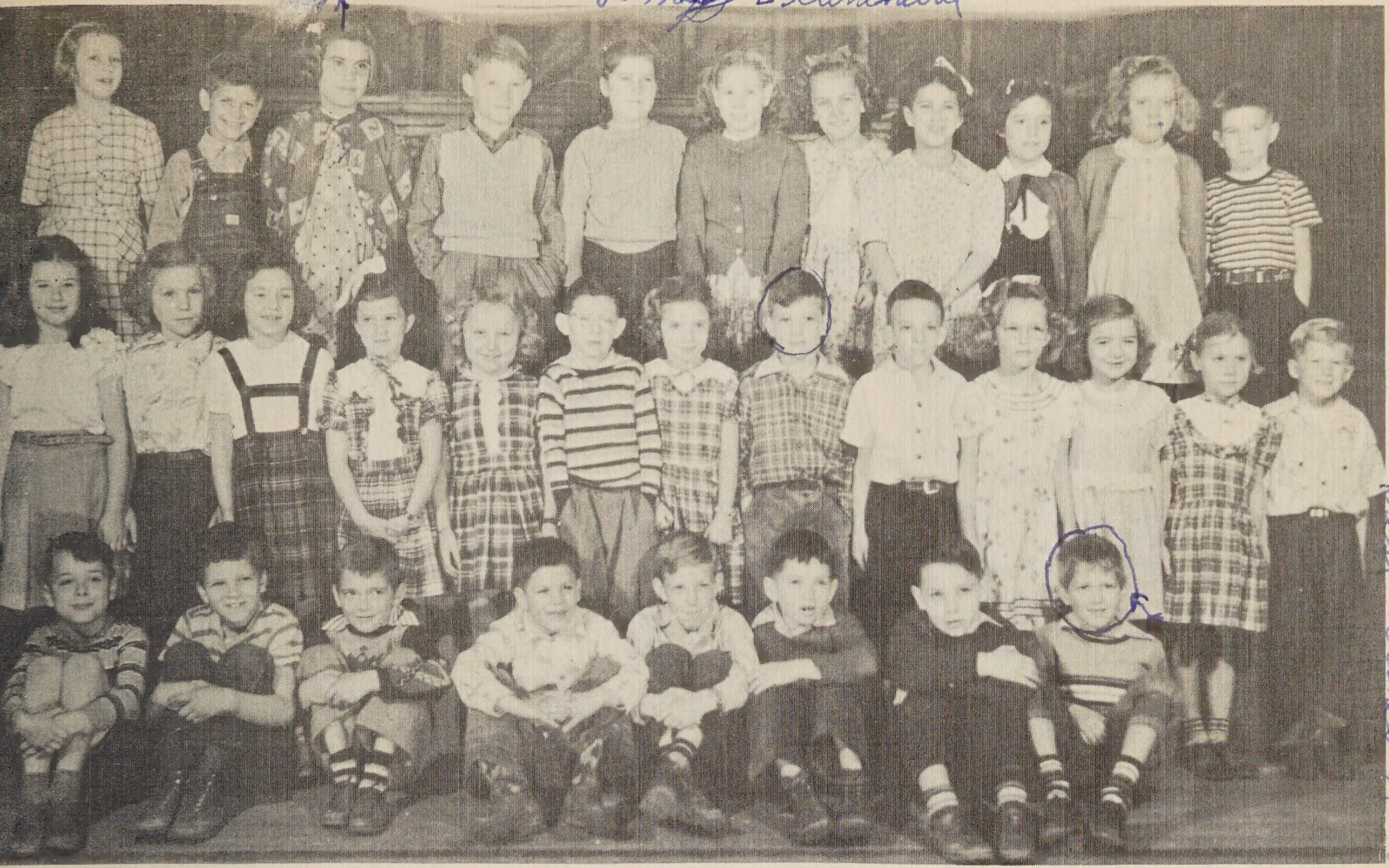
Best to a nice girl Pas

Good luck

ary

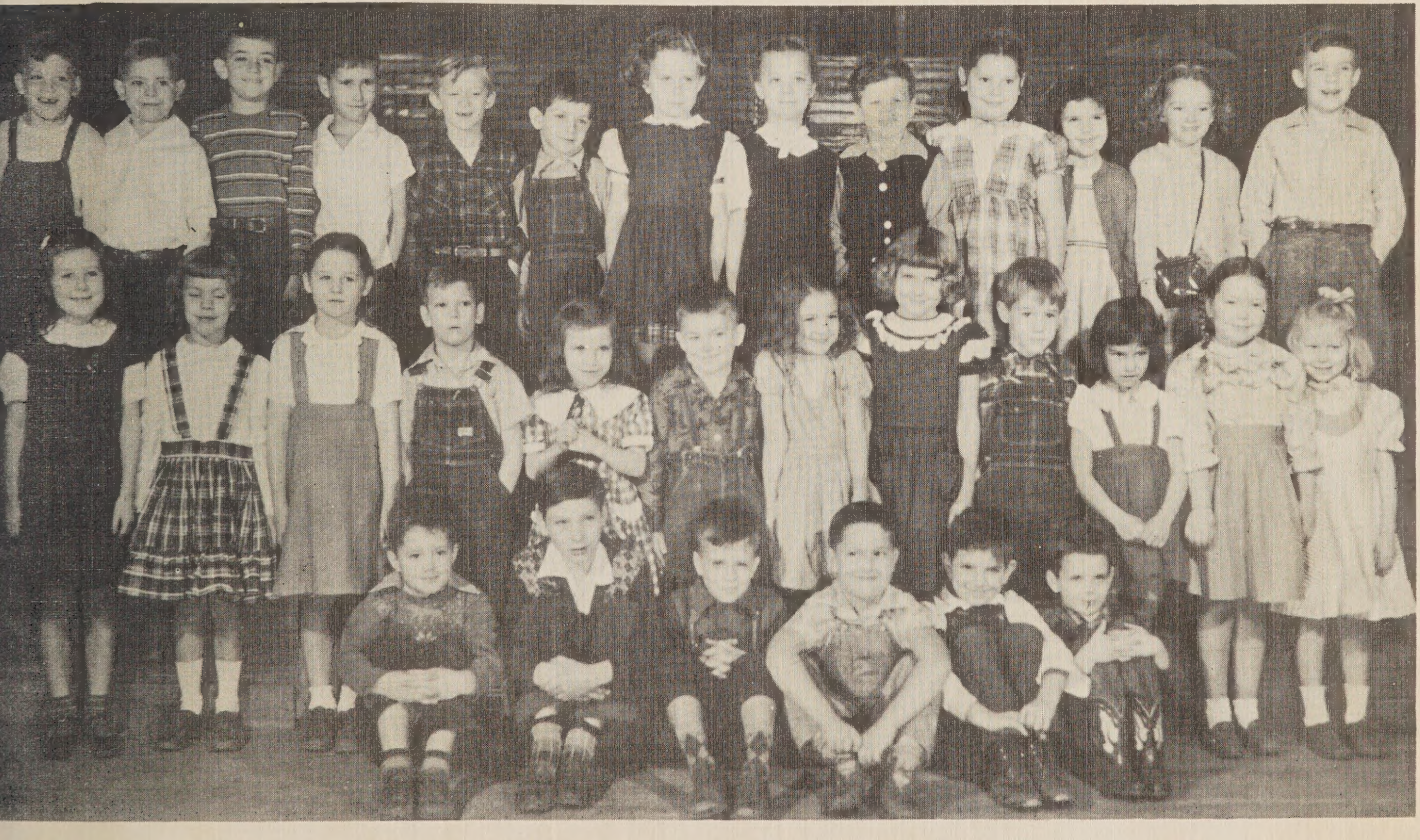
MRS. DURHAM—THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES

Jimmy Blanchard



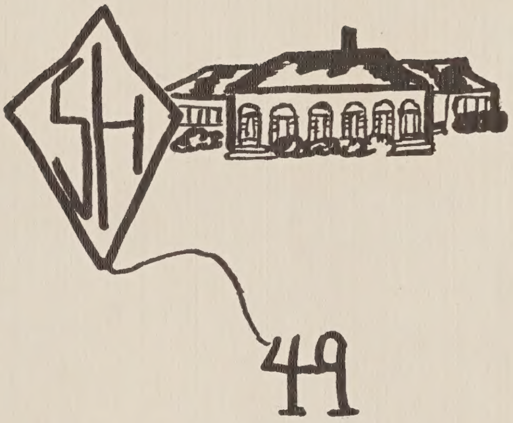
Best Wishes Haines

MRS. BALDWIN—SECOND AND THIRD GRADES



MISS WILLIAMS—FIRST GRADE

SNAPSHOTS



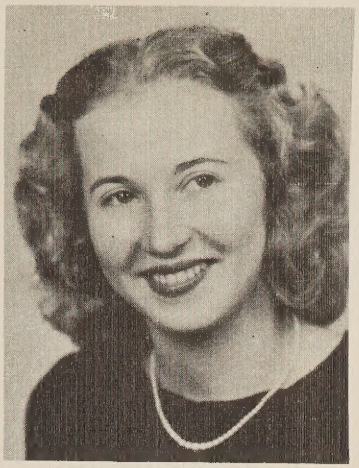
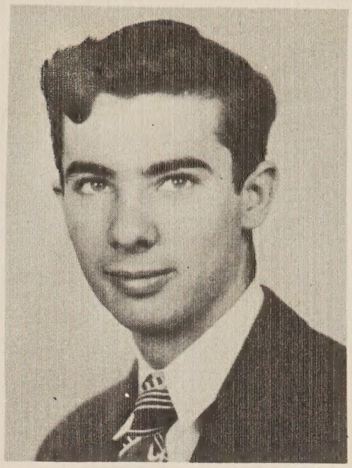
ACTIVITIES

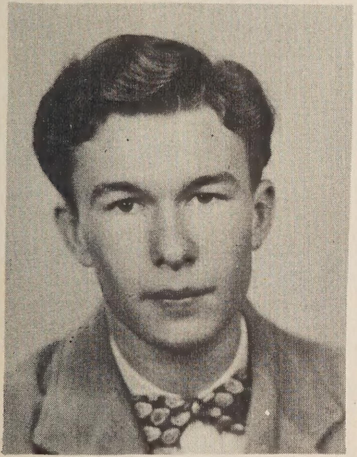
MARILYN MEACHAM, *Editor*

JOHN BOECKMANN, *Business Manager*

FLOODLIGHT STAFF

STAFF AT WORK



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Circulation Manager

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Jean Bigham
Circulation Manager

Kenneth Richardson
Assoc. Sports Editor

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working for a
company selling
advertising.

BETA CLUB

The Beta Club is a national honor society which selects its members by high scholastic standing, good character rating, and leadership ability.

OFFICERS

Marilyn Meachem	President
Betty Miller	Vice President
Sue Smith	Secretary
Evelyn Shepherd	Treasurer
Mrs. Carl Bookout	Sponsor

MEMBERS

First Row: Mabel Rea, Doris McCall, Jean Bigham, Betty Miller, Marilyn Meachem, Anne Samonds, Jean Meek, Mrs. Bookout. *Second Row*: Billy Hartis, Benny Douglas, Sue Smith, Evelyn Shepherd, Faye Samonds, Tommy Kiser, Tommy P. Phillips.

MONOGRAM CLUB

The Monogram Club was organized to sponsor good sportsmanship in our school. All members must have earned a letter in some school sport—basketball, baseball, cheerleading, etc.

OFFICERS

Russell Shrum .... President
Bill Baker .... Vice President
Boots Lowder .... Secretary-Treasurer

MEMBERS

Bill Baker
Joe Brookshire
Benny Douglas
Dewey Edwards
Bill Hartis
Jimmy Jackson
Bobby Jones
Tommy Kiser
Tommy P. Phillips
Russell Shrum
Dot Hill
Boots Lowder
Jean Meek
Mabel Rea
Faye Samonds
Mary Ruth Caldwell

Miss Marzelle Brisson .... Club Sponsor

JOURNALISM CLUB

First Row: Mrs. Flynt, Ann Smith, Marion Knight, Jeannette Yount, Faye Samonds, Jean Meek, Betty Ann Davis, Mary Alexander, Dot Boyd, Ella Alexander.

Second Row: Mary Jackson, Pat Tucker, Helen Cook, Sara Grey, Evelyn Shepherd, Kathryn Black, Millie Jenkins, Marilyn Meacham, Doris McCall, Betty Miller, Jean Bigham.

Third Row: Dot Shrum, Patsy Alexander, Shirley Boyd, Doris Porter, Iris Phillips, Ann McGarity.

EAVESDROPPER STAFF

Editor	Marilyn Meacham
Assistant Editor	Betty Miller
Business Manager	Jean Meek
Art Editor	Doris McCall
Sports Editor	Evelyn Shepherd
Grade News	Mary and Ella Alexander
Club News	Iris Phillips, Pat Tucker
Circulation Managers	Pat Alexander, Anne McGarity

EAVESDROPPER STAFF

This year the Journalism Club is publishing the school paper, *The Eavesdropper,* every quarter. It is very successful, and is very much enjoyed by the students and faculty. It consists of nine pages, and covers all phases of school life including club news, grade news, basketball, sportsmanship, original poems and stories, student opinon, cute couples, and many other original departments.

The Journalism Club has been very active under the leadership of Mrs. Flynt, our club sponsor, and Marilyn Meacham, *The Eavesdropper* editor. Everyone has taken a very active part in the editing of the paper, and much valuable experience has been gained from the study and the production of a newspaper.

"EAVESDROPPER" STAFF AT WORK

Left to right: Ella Alexander, Grade News; Evelyn Shepherd, Sports Editor; Jean Bigham, Treasurer; Jean Meek, Business Manager; Marilyn Meacham, Editor; Mrs. Flynt, Sponsor; Betty Miller, Assistant Editor; Patsy Alexander, Circulation Manager; Iris Phillips, Club News; Doris McCall, Art Editor.

HOME EC CLUB

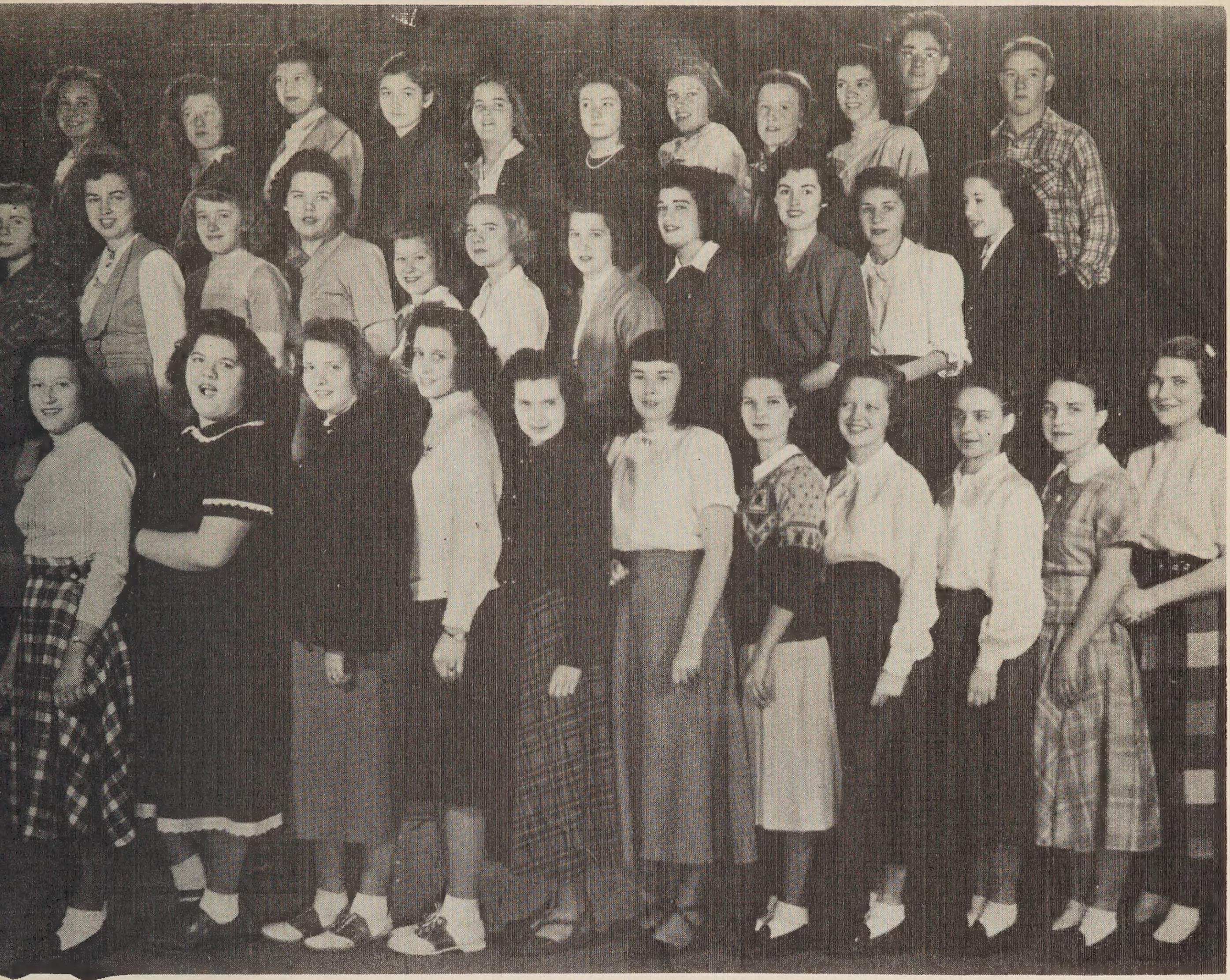
The Future Homemakers of America is the national organization of pupils studying homemaking in Junior and Senior High Schools of the United States and Territories. As an integral part of the program of home economics in the schools of America it offers opportunity for the further development of pupil initiative in planning and carrying out activities related to homemaking.

OFFICERS

Sarah Gray	President
Mary Jackson	Vice President
Evelyn Shepherd	Secretary and Treasurer
Sponsor	Mrs. Carl Bookout

MEMBERS

First Row: June Allred, Maratha Seabolt, Jeanette Yount, Katherine Black, Sarah Gray, Mary Jackson, Evelyn Shepherd, Ann Smith, Shirley Boyd, Delia Hucks. *Second Row*: Marion Knight, Patsy Smith, Emma Kay, Sarah Portor, Frankie Black, Helen Cook, Mary McGarity, Millie Jenkins, Joyce Blackwelder, Bonnie Price.



GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. Clayton Alexander, has been very active this year. They presented a Christmas play, "Why the Chimes Rang," and they plan a spring program and graduation exercises.

OFFICERS

Anne Samonds	President
Mabel Rea	Vice President
Mary Ellington	Secretary
Ella Alexander	Treasurer
Mrs. Clayton Alexander	Director

MEMBERS

First Row: Billie Faye Jones, Millie Jenkins, Marion Knight, Jeanette Yount, Anne Samonds, Doris McCall, Dot Hill, Ann Smith, Ella Alexander, Mary Alexander, Martha Seabolt. *Second Row*: Freida Satterfield, Mabel Rea, Dorthy Hartis, Jean Bigham, Mary McGarity, Ann McGarity, Patsy Alexander, Helen Cook, Marilyn Meacham, Pat Tucker, Iris Phillips. *Third Row*: Annie Ruth Greene, Jo Ann Kenley, Harriet Smith, Kay Williams, Sara Caldwell, Mary Ellington, Bonnie Price, Jean Shore, Anita Martin, Bill Burns, John Black.

MUSIC STUDENTS

ELEMENTARY GLEE CLUB

DRAMATICS CLUB

The Dramatics Club is quite active this year under the able leadership of Mrs. M. O. Smith. Our object is to encourage and develop a greater interest in dramatics in our school.

OFFICERS

President ---------- Mabel Rea
Secretary and Treasurer ---------- Faye Sammonds

MEMBERS

Faye Sammonds, Mabel Rea, Sue Smith, Dot Hill, Ann Samonds, Jean Meek, Mary Alexander, Martha Seabolt, Johnny Boeckmann, Billy Smith, Bobby Welch, Billy Davis, Clyde Bryan, Jerry Melton, Dot Boyd.

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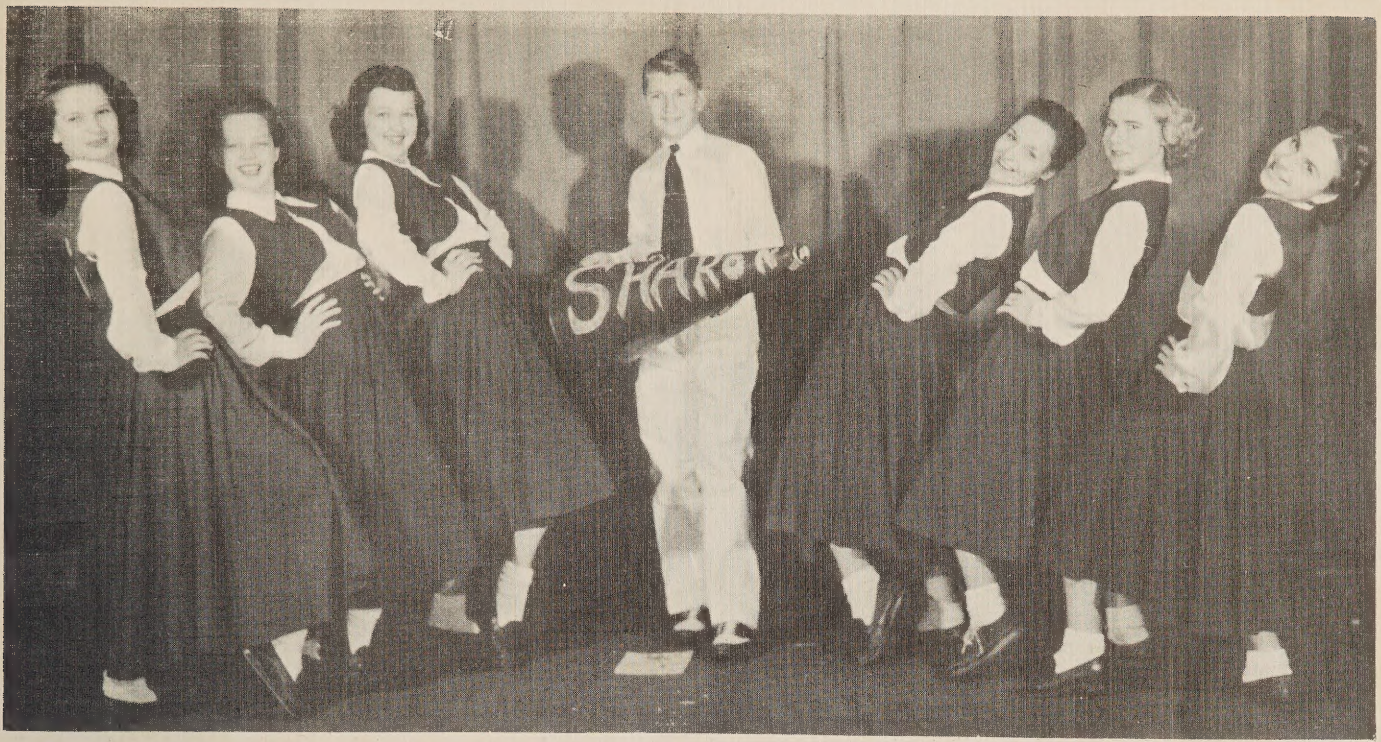
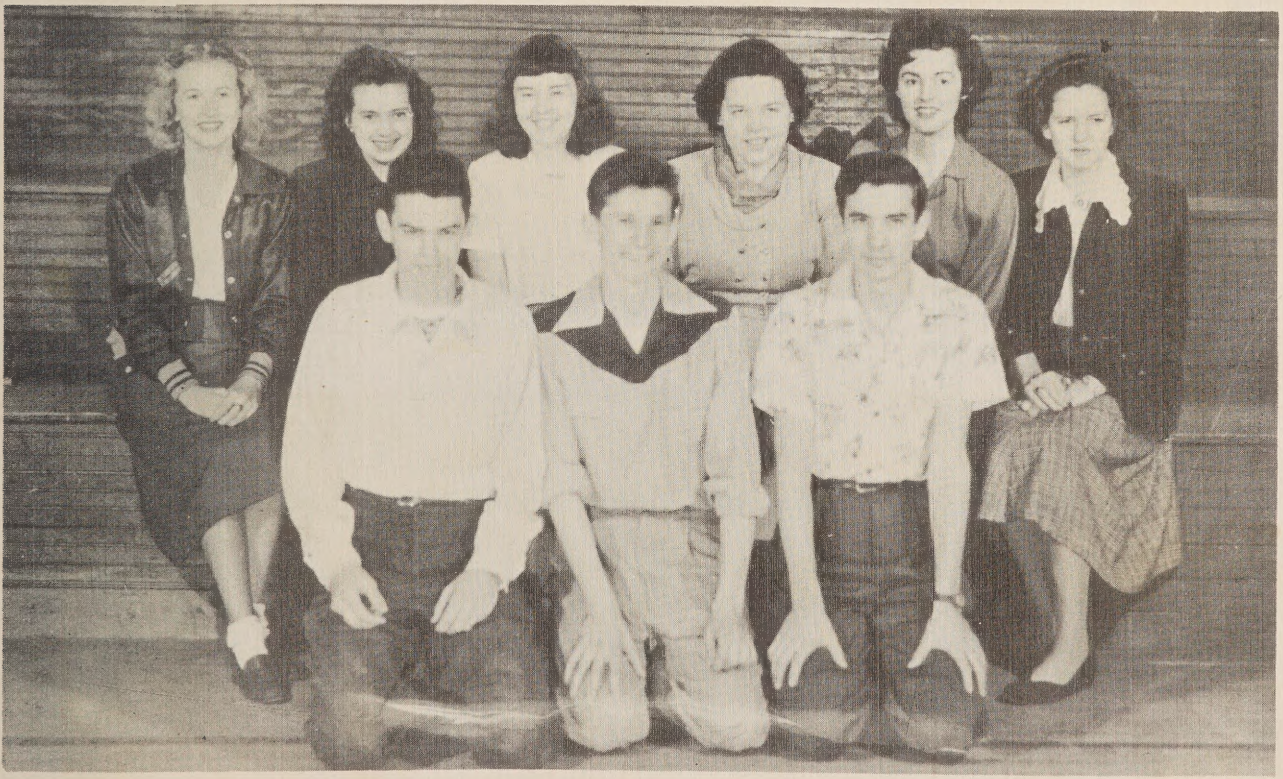


CHEERLEADERS

Standing from left to right: Dot Hill, Anne Smith, Patsy Smith, Jack Ellington, Mary Jackson, Anne McGarity, and Ella Alexander.



SENIOR HONOR

First Row: Tommy Paxton Phillips, Tommy Kiser, Benny Douglas. *Second Row*: Jean Meek, Anne Samonds, Doris McCall, Jean Bigham, Marilyn Meacham, Betty Miller.

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CAST

Master of Ceremonies .... Bob Jones
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Joe Elliott, Mary Jackson, Russell Shrum, Ben Douglas

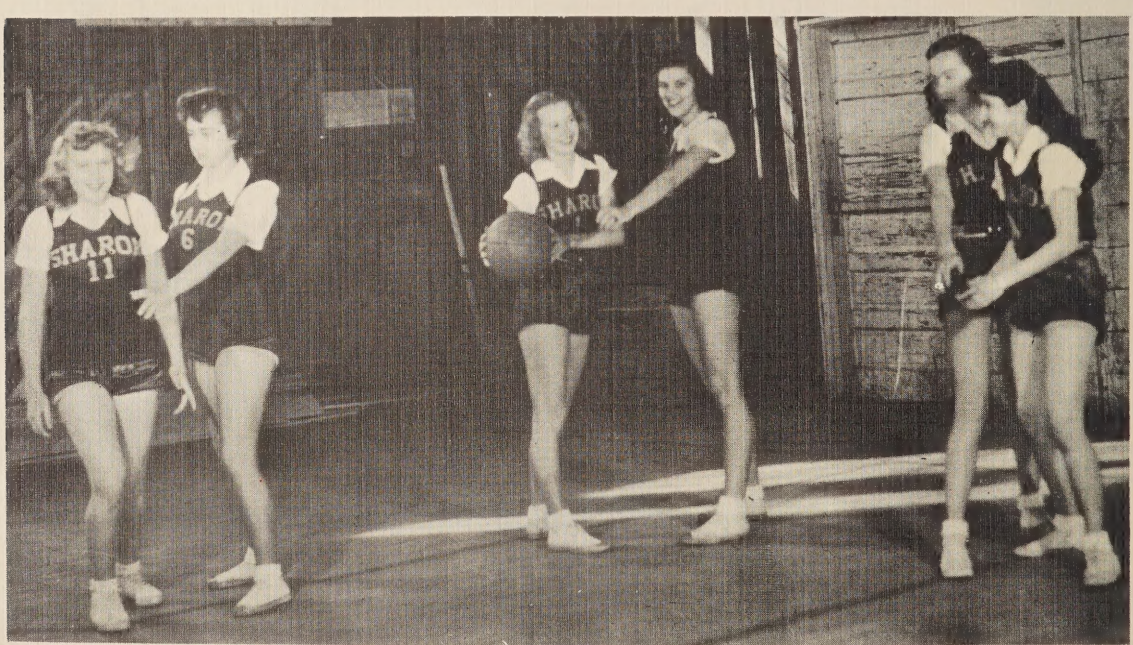
Specialties: Joe Brookshire, Dot Boyd; John Boeckmann, Dot Hill; Jack Ellington, Jean Meek, Faye Samonds, Sue Smith and Boots Lowder, Libby Phillips and Phillip Adams, Mabel Rea and Jimmy Jackson, Anne Samonds, Tommy P. Phillips.

Director, Mrs. M. O. Smith; Pianist, Marilyn Meacham.

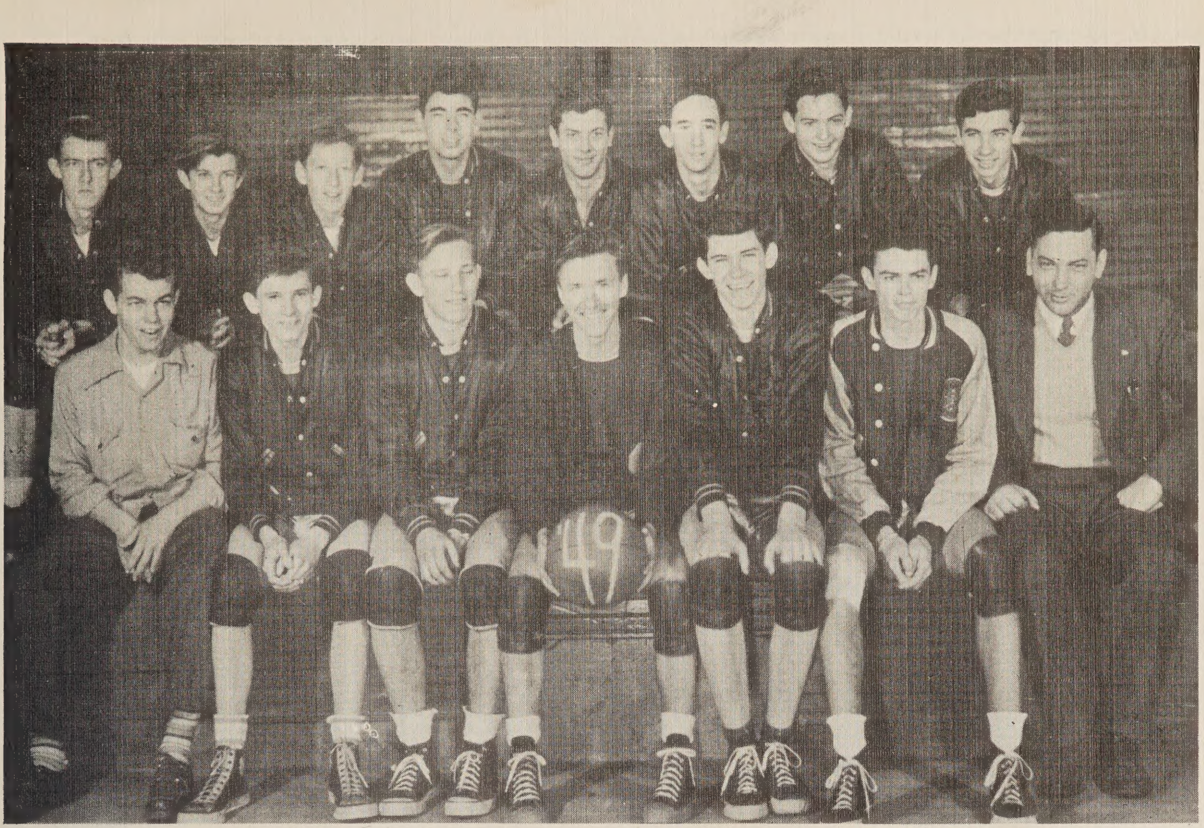
ATHLETICS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Squad: Patsy Alexander, Emma Lee Kay, Libby Philips, Jean Meek, Faye Samonds, Sue Smith, Mabel Rea, Doris Porter, Dot Shrum, Boots Lowder, Joyce Blackwelder, Mary Ruth Caldwell (not photographed). *Second Row*: Iris Philips, Manager; Miss Brisson, Coach.

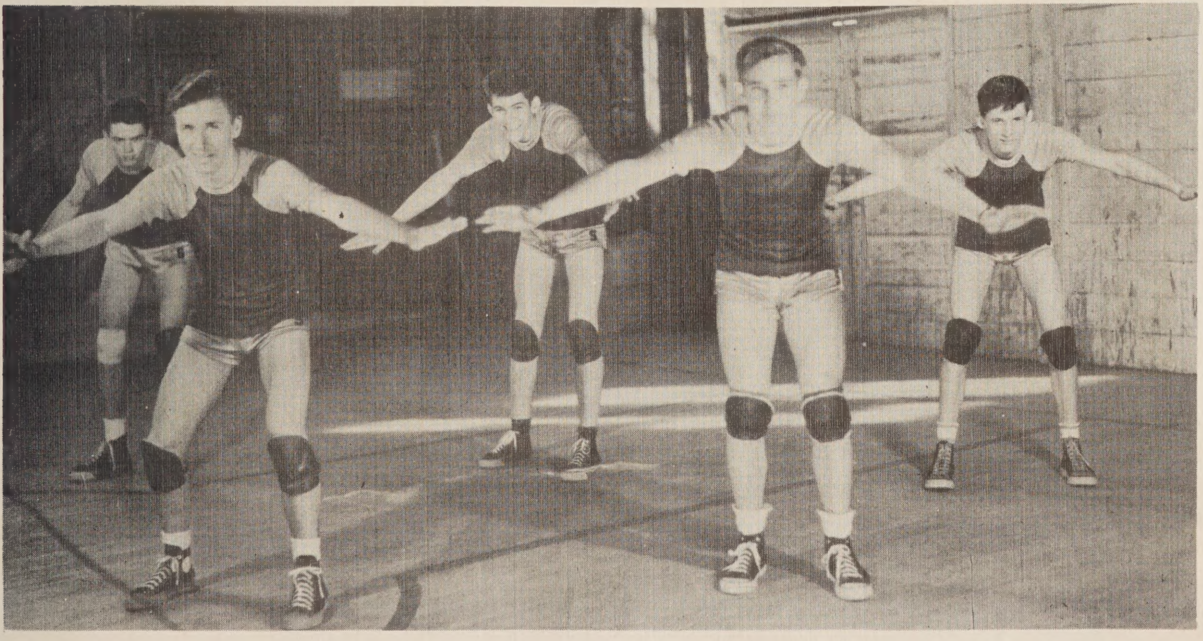


First Team: Dot Shrum, Forward; Mabel Rea, Guard; Jean Meek, Forward; Sue Smith, Guard; Faye Samonds, Guard; Doris Porter, Forward.

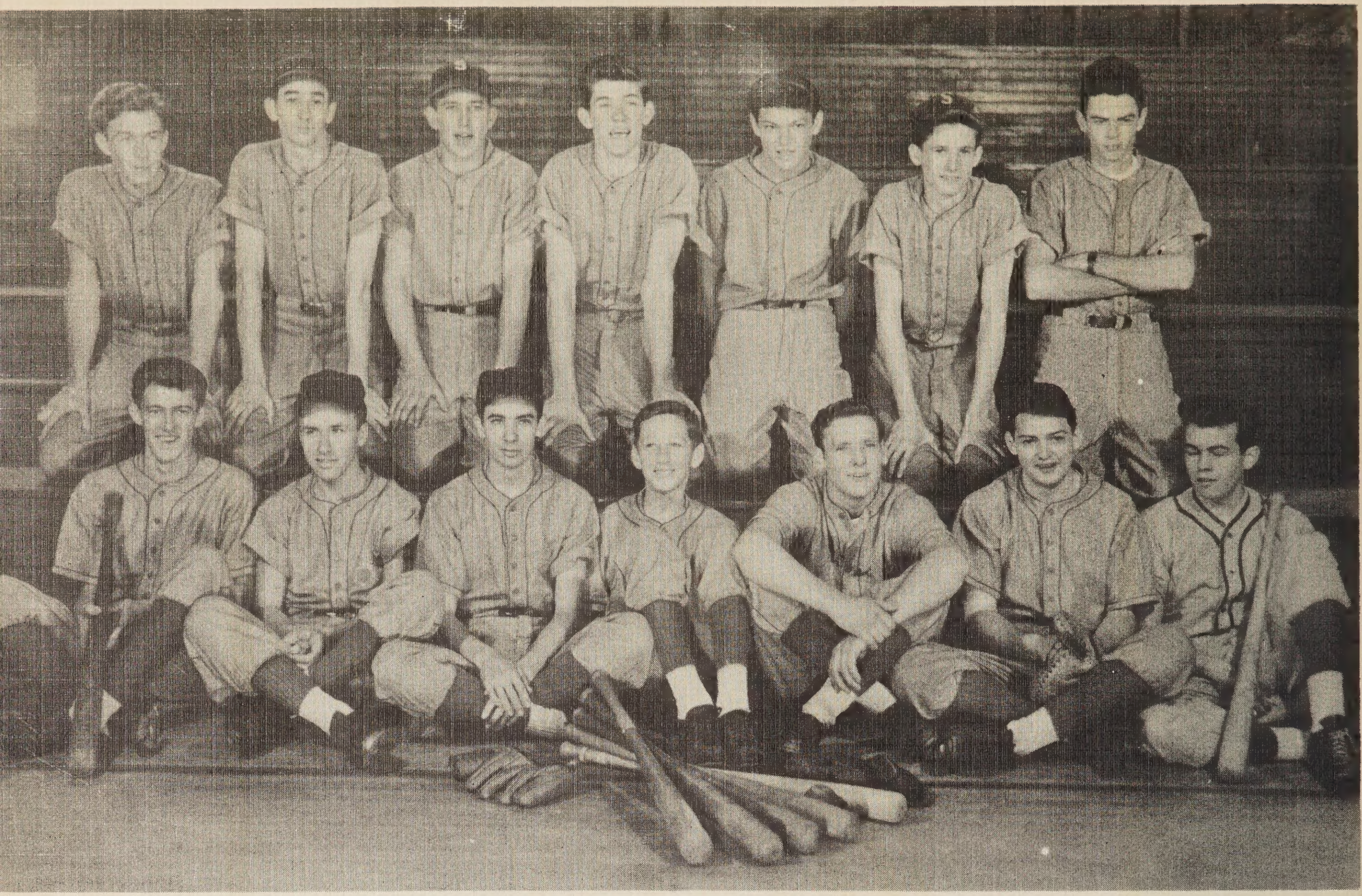


BOYS BASKETBALL

Squad: Joe Elliot, Manager; Tommy Kiser, Russel Shrum, Bill Baker, Jimmy Jackson, Tommy Philips, Mr. Houston, Coach. *Second Row*: Bob Jones, Francis Porter, Jimmy White, John Boeckmann, Kenneth Richardson, Billy Hartis, Joe Brookshire, Benny Douglas.



First Team: Tommy Philips, Forward; Bill Baker, Guard; Jimmy Jackson, Center; Russel Shrum, Guard; Tommy Kiser, Forward.



BASEBALL TEAM

Bob Jones, Bill Baker, Benny Douglas, Jimmy White, Dewey Edwards, Joe Brookshire, Joe Elliot. *Second Row*: Tommy L. Philips, Billy Hartis, Russell Shrum, Jimmy Jackson, Gilbert Godfrey, Tommy Kiser, Tommy Philips.

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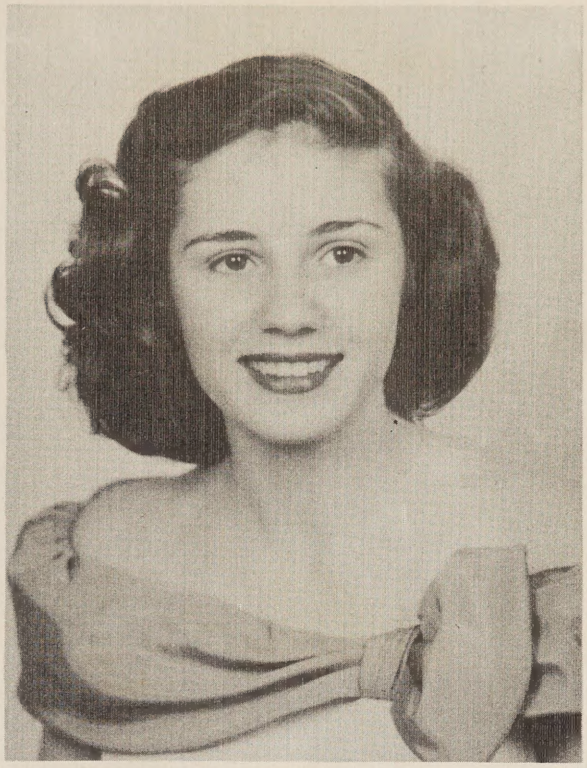

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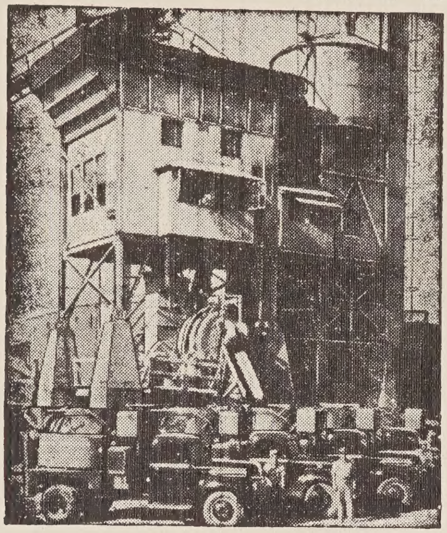

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Dear Carolyn

Two years have passed since I last wrote in this book. I have worked hard and gained much. At the time I have a good job with the Charlotte News. I have bought a car and saved over a thousand dollars. Thus far success has been with me. The old school friends have mostly faded away, but I have made ten times as many and I am proud to say that this little ol girl has made as much if not more than any one person in her graduating class. May times to come bring much happiness to you and please make yourself liked by as many people as possible.

your sister
Betty

June 10, 1949

Dear Carolyn,
On this day June 10, 1949, I graduated
from Sharon High School. May your
graduation be a much happier one than
my ~~was~~ been. As I begin my life's
journey, ~~and~~ I hope I can pave the way,
making it possible for you to enjoy
the things that I missed. Even though
I have worked hard during my high school
years, what recordanization did I get. During the
Past twelve years there has been a hard
to travel, but I have finally reached
my goal and I shall not give up now
I will climb until I am satisfied.
Carolyn always remember there is always
some little sissie ready to give you a knock
But they are only jealous. I have been
knocked at every corner, but I kept on
through all my heartaches. Work hard
for my sakes and be the real Carolyn Miller
that will always be recognized anywhere.
you have much more personality than
I have ever had, so use it and made
friends. A world without friends is a
completely blank Page in Life.

May your ~~whole~~ life be happy
and successful and may you leave
school with a splendid record in
every sort.

Love always,
Sis

I hope we get to
go all the way
through school
together. Your
girlfriend always,

Love,
Ruth Kirk
Brown

Feb 10, 1950

Dear Carolyn,
I have enjoyed
being with you these
years. I hope I may get
to go home with you
this summer. During
these years we have
hardly gotten mad at
each other. Let it be
like this the rest
of our lives. I want
you to come home
with me this summ
and stay with me a
long time. I hope to
get to go to Kannapolis
and Fort Mill this
summer. I have
enjoyed you sitting
behind me in school.
You have been a
very good girl. You
have brought candy
gum, and cookies to
school and you have
never failed to give
me any.

Good luck,
Sammy Kiser
("Tom")

Carolyn,
I have enjoyed being
with you these years.
I hope we shall go all
through school together,
and have as much fun
in the following years,
as we have in the past.

Lot's O' Luck,

Judy Hartis
("Shannie")

I have enjoyed
being in school with
you all these
years. I am one grade lower
than you but I don't care
a bit. When you
get married marry a boy from
Sharon High School one grade
lower than you.
your boyfriend
always,

Ray, "Good Luck"